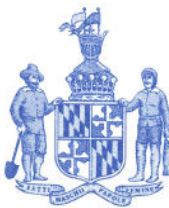


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**For Immediate Release – Indictment of Robert “Skip” Harrison**

The Office of the State Prosecutor announced that the Grand Jury for Anne Arundel County, Maryland has returned a five (5) count indictment charging Robert Lamont Harrison, Jr., also known as Skip Harrison, a resident of Baltimore, age 60, with Theft, Conspiracy to Violate Election Laws, and multiple counts of Failing to File Tax Returns.

The indictment specifically alleges that Mr. Harrison stole money from the campaign finance committee of his mother, Delegate Hattie Harrison, in February of 2005, and that Mr. Harrison conspired to violate election laws by maintaining and controlling the campaign finances of Delegate Harrison’s committee without being the duly authorized treasurer. In addition, the Grand Jury indicted Mr. Harrison for failing to file tax returns in the tax years 2004, 2005 and 2006.

The theft charge carries a maximum penalty of 15 years in jail and/or a \$25,000 fine; the Conspiracy to violate Election Laws carries a maximum penalty of 1 year in jail and/or a \$25,000 fine; and the Failing to File Tax return charges carry a maximum penalty of 5 years in jail and or a \$10,000 fine. Mr. Harrison is presumed to be innocent until and unless he is convicted.

The investigation was opened when the State Board of Elections referred Delegate Harrison’s campaign finance committee to The Office of the State Prosecutor to investigate why the campaign had failed to file required campaign finance reports.

State Prosecutor Robert A. Rohrbaugh stated, “This indictment demonstrates our continued commitment to enforcing the election laws of Maryland.”